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In re PATENT Application of: )  
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Application Serial No. 08/926,592 ) Examiner E. Pert  
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For: LAYER MEMBER FORMING METHOD )

**SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

In accordance with the duty of disclosure as set forth in 37 C.F.R. §1.56, Applicants hereby submit the following information in conformance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98. Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.98, a copy of each reference cited is enclosed.

Please note that the information cited in the subject IDS was previously submitted by Applicant on September 9, 1997, and considered by the Patent Office on August 2, 1999 (Paper No. 11). While full translations were filed for JP 61-143576 and JP 62-120477 in the parent application of the subject application, the Form PTO 1449 filed September 9, 1997 failed to designate that full English translations were submitted for these references in the parent application. As a result, it is unclear that the full translations were considered in the subject application.

Applicant wishes to confirm that the Examiner considered full English translations of JP 61-143579 and JP 62-120477. For the convenience of the Examiner, Applicant submits full English translations of JP 61-143576 and JP 62-120477. It is respectfully requested that an Examiner-initialed copy of this form be returned to the undersigned.

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